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Multi-Functional Cap §

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## **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY - JOINT INVENTORS**

As a below named inventor, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our respective names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, design or discovery entitled:

## CONSUMABLES CONTAINER WITH MULTI-FUNCTIONAL CAP

the specification of which is attached hereto.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to us to be material to the patentability of this application as defined by Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

We hereby claim no foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on which priority is claimed.

We hereby claim benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of United States applications 09/906,458, filed on 07/16/01 (U.S. Patent No. 6472007, issued on 10/29/02), and 09/538,540, filed on 03/30/00 (U.S. Patent No. 6596328, issued on 07/22/03).

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of any prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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